

#### CITY OF DURHAM | NORTH CAROLINA

**Date:** May 8, 2012

**To:** Thomas J. Bonfield, City Manager

**Through:** Theodore L. Voorhees, Deputy City Manager **From:** Marvin G. Williams, Director of Public Works

**Subject:** Agenda Item - Street Acceptance

# **Executive Summary**

Pursuant to City ordinance, streets shall be considered for acceptance for maintenance by the City of Durham when the streets are improved in accordance with requirements established by the City Council. The following streets have been improved to City of Durham standards:

# Wood Chapel - Phase I, 2A, 2B

- 1) Wood Chapel Lane from the south curb line of Angier Avenue south through the cul-de-sac (1,007'), and
- 2) Cottendale Drive from the centerline of Wood Chapel Lane east then south then west to the end of construction at existing Cottendale Drive (1,834'), and
- 3) Wood Meadow Lane from the centerline of Cottendale Drive south to the centerline of Cottendale Drive (681'.)

# Madison Glen – Phase 1 & 2

- 1) Birchrun Drive from the west ditch line of Milton Road west through the cul-de-sac (1,613'), and
- 2) Amaryllis Lane from the south ditch line of Lakeview Drive south to the centerline of Birchrun Drive (519'), and
- 3) Hidden Treasure Drive from the centerline of Amaryllis Lane west then south to the end of Phase 2 construction at STA 50+40 (1,040'), and
- **4)** Amarillo Rose Lane from the centerline of Birchrun Drive south then east to the centerline of Hidden Treasure Drive (664'.)

#### Recommendation

The Public Works Department recommends that the City Council accept the above named streets for maintenance by the City of Durham.

# Background:

These streets are in various areas that have been developed and annexed into the City. Per the various extension agreements executed with the developers, street rights of way have been dedicated as public with the understanding that once the streets were built to City of Durham standards and as defined by the agreements, they would be accepted for maintenance by the City.

# Issues and Analysis:

Past practice has dictated that the City of Durham accept streets that are part of new developments with dedicated public rights of way as defined by the extension agreements.

#### **Alternatives:**

The alternative to accepting these streets from the various developers would be to decline their requests and ask that they continue to maintain these streets under a private maintenance program.

# **Financial Impacts:**

Accepting these streets would result in the City spending some additional annual maintenance funds. This expense would be somewhat mitigated by adding additional mileage to the annual Powell Bill listing resulting in additional State Powell Bill funds for the City.

#### **SBDE Summary:**

N/A

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